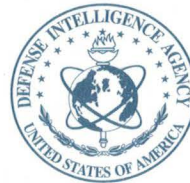




## DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20340-5100



U-15-7629/FAC2A1 (FOIA)

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Mr. Trevor Griffey  
P. O. Box 2887  
Olympia WA 98507-2887

Dear Mr. Griffey:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated December 10, 2011 that you submitted to the Department of State (DOS) for FBI files related to the ***"Communist Party of the Philippines"***. DOS referred one responsive document (4 pages) to the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) for review and direct response to you. I apologize for the delay in responding to your request. DIA continues its efforts to eliminate the large backlog of pending FOIA requests. In order to properly respond, it was necessary to consult with another office within the agency.

Upon review, I have determined that some portions of the document must be withheld in part from disclosure pursuant to the FOIA. The withheld portions are exempt from release pursuant to Exemptions 1, 3 and 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(1), (b)(3) and (b)(6). Exemption 1 applies to information properly classified under the criteria of Executive Order 13526. Exemption 3 applies to information specifically exempted by a statute establishing particular criteria for withholding. The applicable statutes are 10 U.S.C. § 424 and 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i). Statute 10 U.S.C. § 424 protects the identity of DIA employees, the organizational structure of the agency, and any function of DIA. Statute 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i) protects intelligence sources and methods. Exemption 6 applies to information which if released would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of other individuals. DIA has not withheld any reasonably segregable non-exempt portions of the records.

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request, you may exercise your right to file an administrative appeal by writing to the address below and referring to case number 0469-2014. Your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 days after the date of this letter.

Defense Intelligence Agency  
7400 Pentagon  
ATTN: FAC2A1 (FOIA)  
Washington, D.C. 20301-7400

Sincerely,

Alesia Y. Williams *ACK*  
Chief, FOIA and Declassification Services Office

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SUBJECT: DETAINED US ARMY RESERVE OFFICER (U)

(b)(3):10  
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1. (S) ON 12 FEBRUARY THE OFFICE OF THE DCS/

FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES, DELIVERED AN OFFICIAL LETTER TO

THE [REDACTED] TEXT QUOTED AS FOLLOWS:

(b)(6)

WE WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT A CERTAIN [REDACTED] AN

AMERICAN CITIZEN, MARRIED TO A BICOLANA PRESENTLY RESIDING IN

ONE OF THE VILLAGES IN MAKATI, RIZAL IS BEING HELD BY THE

MILITARY AUTHORITIES AT HEADQUARTERS SOWESCOM AFTER HIS

CAPTURE TOGETHER WITH SOME REBEL ELEMENTS IN BABUAN ISLAND (b)(6)

ON FEBRUARY 7 1976. [REDACTED] CLAIMS THAT HE IS CONNECTED

WITH THE PHILIPPINE PETROLEUM CORPORATION AND THAT HE WAS

A FORMER SPECIAL FORCES OFFICER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY

DRAFTED BY:

DRAFTING DATE

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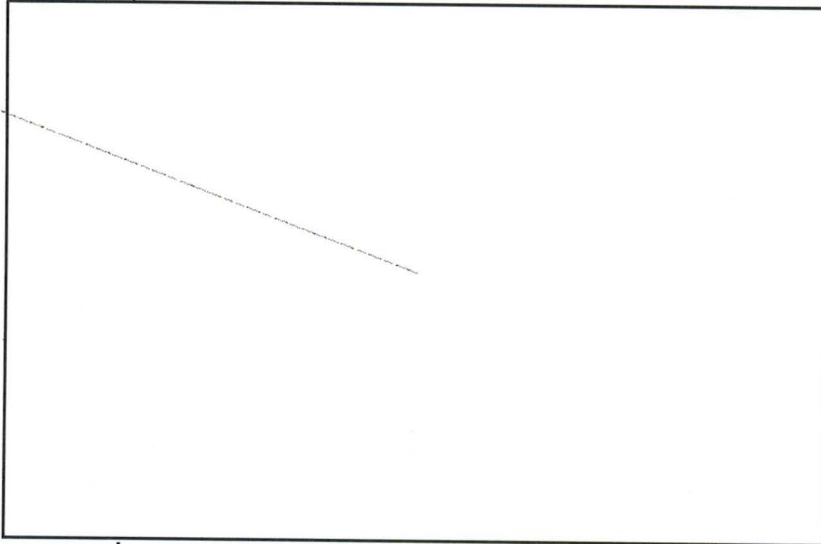


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RESERVE. HE SAW ACTION IN INDO CHINA.

(b)(6)



WE WILL KEEP YOU POSTED OF ADDITIONAL & DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING  
THIS MATTER AS OCCASION ARISES..

BE REST ASSURED OF OUR CONTINUED ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION.

§ (END OF LETTER)

2. (c) ABOVE LETTER WAS THE FIRST OFFICIAL NOTICE PROVIDED  
THE EMBASSY ON THIS INCIDENT (POLOFFS HAD RECEIVED SOME  
UNCONFIRMED INFORMATION, AND AP MANILA BUREAU HAD MADE AN  
INQUIRY ABOUT [REDACTED] DETENTION ON 13 FEB). THE MANILA TIMES

JOURNAL OF 14 FEB CARRIED A FRONT PAGE STORY HEADLINED

"AMERICAN HELD FOR REB TIES." THE LEAD PARAGRAPH CALLS

[REDACTED] "AN AMERICAN SOLDIER OF FORTUNE, SUSPECTED OF HAVING  
WORKED FOR THE MORO NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT." NO OTHER  
MANILA MORNING PAPERS CARRIED ANY MENTION OF THE  
INCIDENT.

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3.

TELEPHONED [ ] ON MORNING OF 14 FEB AND REFERRED TO THE STORY  
IN THE TIMES JOURNAL. (b)(6) WAS ~~VERY~~ APOLOGETIC ABOUT HAVING THE  
STORY PUBLISHED BEFORE THE GOP HAD OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED THE

(b)(3):10  
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EMBASSY (HE INDICATED THERE HAD BEEN A LEAK TO THE TIMES M  
JOURNAL). HE SAID HIS OFFICE HAD LITTLE INFORMATION AT THIS TIME,  
AND HAD BEEN TRYING TO GET MORE DETAILS ~~HE~~ BEFORE NOTIFYING THE  
EMBASSY. (b)(6) TOLD [ ] ESSENTIALLY THE CONTENTS OF THE ABOVE  
LETTER, AND PROMISED TO DELIVER THE LETTER LATER IN THE DAY.

WHEN ASKED THE NATURE OF THE CHARGES AGAINST [ ]  
SAID THERE WERE NONE YET, AND THAT (b) WAS BEING HELD BY SOWESCOM  
FOR "TACTICAL ~~EXE~~ EXPLOITATION" AT THIS TIME. HE SAID THAT IT  
WAS BELIEVED THAT (b)(6) HAD BEEN "WITH" A REBEL GROUP COMMANDED BY  
USTAD HASIMIN ON AND AROUND BABUAN ISLAND (OFF THE SOUTH COAST

(b)(6), (b)(1), 1.4 (c)

(b)(1), 1.4 (c)

OF BASILAN) SINCE JULY 75. [ ] WOULD NOT ESTIMATE WHEN (b)(6)  
WOULD BE BROUGHT TO MANILA, BUT PROMISED TO NOTIFY [ ] OF ANY  
DEVELOPMENT AND PROVIDE SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION ON WHEN AND WHERE  
CONSULAR OFFICERS ~~WM~~ WOULD ~~XXXX~~ BE ALLOWED TO SEE HIM. [ ] DID NOT  
KNOW NAME OR ADDRESS OF (b)(6) WIFE, BUT SAID SHE WAS A FILIPINA

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USC 424

(b)(1), (b)(6), 1.4 (c), (b)(3):10 USC 424

(b)(1), 1.4 (c)

HE ALSO TOLD (b)(6), (b)(3):10 HAD TOLD HIM HE WAS QUITTING HIS M  
JOB IN JULY AND HAD ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY OPPORTUNITY OF WORKING

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FOR THE GOP TRAINING COMBAT TROOPS.

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6. (U) AP MANILA BUREAU STATED IT WAS FILING A STORY ON 14 FEB,  
BUT THAT IT HAD NO MORE INFORMATION THAN THE TIMES JOURNAL  
ACCOUNT.

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